Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

Listing of Claims:

1. (Original) A compound of the formula

wherein R¹ represents

alkanoyl of C_2 - $C_{1\,0}$ which is unsubstituted, or which is substituted by a phenyl, or which is substituted on other than the a-carbon atom by an amino or protected amino group; benzoyl or substituted benzoyl bearing one or two substituents each of which is independently halo, loweralkyl of C_1 - C_4 , loweralkoxy of C_1 - C_4 or phenyl;

an acyl derived from an a-amino acid or an acyl derived from a protected a-amino acid, said a-amino acid being selected from the group consisting of:

alanine,
arginine,
asparagine,
aspartic acid,
cysteine,
glutamic acid,
glutamine,
glycine,

histidine,
isoleucine,
leucine,
lysine,
methionine,
3-phenylalanine,
3-(p-chlorophenyl)alanine,
proline,
serine,
threonine,
tryptophan and
valine,

in either D- or L-form; or

an acyl derived from an a-amino acid as defined above which bears on the amine a substituent which is alkyl of C_1 - C_{10} , benzyl, phenylbenzyl, or p-chlorobenzyl, with the proviso that the acyl derived from N-methyl-D-leucine is excluded; R^2 represents hydrogen or an epivancosaminyl of the formula



wherein R^{2a} represents hydrogen or -CH₂- R³ and R³ represents

hydrogen, alkyl of C_1 - C_{11} , alkyl of C_1 - C_{11} - R^4 , or R^4 -(linker_(0 or 1)- R^4)_{0 or 1},

wherein each R^4 is independently phenyl or phenyl substituted by one or two substituents, each of which is independently halo, loweralkyl of C_1 - C_8 , loweralkoxy of C_1 - C_8 , loweralkylthio of C_1 - C_4 , or trifluoromethyl, and "linker" is -0-, -CH₂-, or -O-(CH₂)n- wherein n is 1-3;

- 2. (Original) A compound of Claim 1 in which R^2 is an epivancosaminyl radical wherein R^{2a} represents hydrogen.
- 3. (Original) A compound of Claim 2 in which R^2 is an epivancosaminyl radical wherein R^{2a} represents -CH₂-R₃.
 - 4. (Original) A compound of Claim 3 in which R³ is p-biphenylyl.
 - 5. (Original) A compound of Claim 3 in which R³ is p-(pchlorophenyl) phenyl.
- 6. (Currently Amended) A pharmaceutical formulation comprising a compound of <u>claim 1</u> any of <u>Claims 1-5</u> in combination with a pharmaceutically acceptable diluent or carrier.
- 7. (Original) A method of treating a bacterial infection in a host comprising the step of administering to the host an effective amount of a formulation of Claim 6.
- 8. (Original) A method of Claim 7 wherein the bacterial infection is attributable to a vancomycin-resistantenterococcus.
- 9. (Currently Amended) A compound of any of <u>claim 1</u> any of <u>Claims 1-5</u> for use in antibacterial therapy.
- 10. (Currently Amended) A compound of <u>claim 1</u> any of <u>Claims 1-5</u> for use in antibacterial therapy against vancomycin-resistantenterococcus.
- 11. (Currently Amended) A process for the preparation of a compound as claimed in claim 1 any one of Claims 1-5 which comprises reacting a parent glycopeptide of the formula

wherein R^2 is as defined in Claim 1, with an activated ester of an alkanoic acid of the desired R^1 as defined in Claim 1, and if desired, thereafter reductively alkylating the NDISACC amine and/or forming a pharmaceutically acceptable salt.